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To: Ambulance Providers Memorandum No: 07-39

ITA Transportation Providers
Managed Care Organizations

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Subject: Ambulance and Involuntary Treatment Act (ITA) Transportation: Fee

Schedule Updates

Effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2007, the Health and Recovery Services Administration (HRSA) will increase the rates in the Involuntary Treatment Act (ITA) Transportation fee schedule to match the rates in the Ambulance Transportation fee schedule.

Maximum Allowable Fees

Effective for dates of services on and after July 1, 2007, HRSA is increasing the fees for the following procedures:

| Procedure | | Maximum Allowable Fee |
|-----------|---|--------------------------|
| Code | Description | 07/01/07 |
| S0215 | Non-emergency transportation; mileage, per mile | \$5.08/mile |
| | Rate per consumer. Use this same code to bill for emergency | |
| | non-ambulance ITA transportation. | |
| T2001 | Non-emergency transportation; patient attendant/ escort | 23.18/trip |
| | Requires justification: | |
| | • The client weighs 300 pounds or more; or | |
| | • Client is violent or difficult to move safely and must be restrained; or | |
| | • More than one client is being transported, and each requires medical attention and/or close monitoring. | |

Billing Instructions Replacement Pages

Attached are replacement pages G.3-G.4 of HRSA's *Ambulance and Involuntary Treatment Act (ITA) Transportation Billing Instructions*.

How do I conduct business electronically with HRSA?

You may conduct business electronically with HRSA by accessing the WAMedWeb at http://wamedweb.acs-inc.com.

How can I get HRSA's provider documents?

To obtain DSHS/HRSA provider numbered memoranda and billing instruction, go to the DSHS/HRSA website at http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov (click *the Billing Instructions and Numbered Memorandum* link). These may be downloaded and printed.

Ground Ambulance (cont'd)

Mileage

| | | Maximum |
|-----------|--|---------------|
| Procedure | | Allowable Fee |
| Code | Description | 7/1/06 |
| A0425 | Ground mileage, per statute mile | \$5.08/ mile |
| A0423 | Origin and destination modifiers required. | φ5.06/ ΠΠΕ |

Other Services

| Procedure Code | Description | Maximum Allowable Fee 7/1/05 |
|-------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| A0170 | Transportation ancillary: parking fees, tolls, other Invoice required. Origin and destination modifiers required. | By Report |
| A0424 | Extra ambulance attendant, ground (ALS or BLS) or air (fixed or rotary winged); (requires medical review) Pertinent documentation to evaluate medical appropriateness should be included when this code is reported. Origin and destination modifiers required. Justification required: The client weighs 300 pounds or more; or Client is violent or difficult to move safely; or More than one client is being transported, and each requires medical attention and/or close monitoring. Note: HRSA pays for an extra attendant in ground ambulance transports only. No payment is made for an extra attendant in air ambulance transports. | \$23.18 |
| A0998 | Ambulance response and treatment, no transport Code not payable. Used for data collection purposes only. | # |

Involuntary Treatment Act (ITA) Transportation

| Procedure Code | Description | Maximum Allowable Fee 07/01/07 |
|-------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| S0215 | Non-emergency transportation; mileage, per mile Rate per consumer. Use this same code to bill for emergency non-ambulance ITA transportation. | \$5.08/mile |
| T2001 | Non-emergency transportation; patient attendant/ escort Requires justification: ✓ The client weighs 300 pounds or more; or ✓ Client is violent or difficult to move safely and must be restrained; or ✓ More than one client is being transported, and each requires medical attention and/or close monitoring. | 23.18/trip |

- The mileage rate is only for those miles that the involuntarily detained consumer is onboard the vehicle (loaded mileage). MHD does not allow any additional charges beyond the rate per mile allowance, except for the extra attendant when specified conditions are met.
- MHD reimburses for transportation services at a provider's usual and customary rate or the above maximum allowable per mile, whichever is less, for each eligible involuntarily detained consumer.
- MHD payment is payment in full. MHD allows no additional charge to the involuntarily detained consumer.